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Rickets - Ringworm - &c

"This disease is known by a large head projecting forwards, swelling of the ^{anterior} knees, ^{turned} legs, belly, and a general wasting of other parts of the body."

It made its first appearance in Eng^d in the year 1620. It was a common disease in the reign of Charles II. - The deformity induced by ^{it} in the legs first introduced the use of boots to conceal that deformity. It is remarkable while dress induces some diseases, certain diseases induce certain dresses. Thus the plague in London induced led to hair powders - pimples to patches - Scrophula in the neck to ^{poultice} ~~cravat~~ neckcloths, and bandy legs to the use of boots. ~~It~~ & It was for a long while confined exclusively to the children of the nobility and gentry. It now prevails almost exclusively

✓ Others ascribe it to a deficiency of oil
in the bones, and that too from a want
of a sufficient quantity of oil in the
Aliment. ~~As seen~~

among the Children of poor people.

It ~~follows~~ generally makes it appa-
-rance according to Sydenham immediately after
the Intermitting fever. It likewise succeeds small
pox, measles, & some Chronic Diseases. Is it
a fever misplaced? - or translated to the
bones? It is a rare disease at present com-
-pared with former years? Is this owing
to greater cleanliness - better diet, & warmer
dresses - which have had similar effects in
obviating the frequency of fevers from an
impure atmosphere?

The predisposition to this Disease is said
to be occasioned by a defect of earthy matter
in the bones. It is certain the Urine of
persons who labour ^{under} it contains more
earth than is natural to it. ✓

It is said to be induced by placing Child-
-ren

too soon on their feet. The reverse of this
is true - hence we find it ^{most common} among ~~the~~
Children ~~who~~ of poor people, ~~who~~ who are
left to sit, or crawl all day by their poor
parents, and are seldom made to use their
feet, or legs in standing. —

The Remedies should be

1. Vs. and other depleting remedies when it
is attended with great morbid excitement.
2. Chalybeates - 3 Bark, 4 tonic Aliment 5
a Change of Air. This will be the more ne-
cessary if we suppose it to be a misplaced
fever, and derived from the Atmosphere.

In Scotland, they cure it by anointing
the whole body with ^{fish} Scate Oil - does it act
by preventing a discharge thro' the ^{pores} bones of
something necessary to the texture of the
bones -? or does it convey the suppressed

& instantaneous
✓ I reject here all the explosive states
of fever ever formerly mentioned. -
- They have as many names as
the nosologists have given us species
of fever. - I shall consider them
as an Unit diversified in ² 4 forms
by situation, figure, & degree.

deficient oily matter in them. I am
unable to answer these questions. —

I have never ^{had} seen but one case of
this disease under my care. — I have often
seen its effects in the deformity of the limbs
in Scotland. —

of Cutaneous diseases & disorders

These complaints (so often neglected by
Physicians) are highly important, & be-
-cause they are often ~~also~~ connected
with diseases of the whole body, & sometimes
with parts essential to life in the first
degree. &

2 Because ~~they~~ they are distressing to the
persons affected by them, & offensive
to their friends. &

Therefore I proceed to treat of their
different forms. I shall deliver the follow:

emarks. —

1 They are generally connected with too much or too little excitement in the whole system.

2 They are often connected with a vitiated state of the fluids or in the Venereal Disease, and perhaps the Scurvy.

3 They are often connected with a morbid state of the stomach, & alimentary canal. — Putrid fish ~~often~~ in the stomach often induces a temporary ~~discrete~~ efflorescence ~~on the skin~~ — and an Acid in the stomach often induces chronic eruptions on the skin. —

4 They are sometimes wholly unconnected with the state of a whole or a part of the system, or the state of the fluids, as

They sometimes disappear when on wo=
men in preparing & return after
parturition.

in the itch, and eruptions from local
poisons. 5 Dr. Blane says they are sometimes cutaneous
6 They are ~~primarily~~ ^{hereditary} family disease. ✓
When disease affects the skin, it
appears in the form of efflorescence. In this
case it is temporary, except in the face. 2 in
~~Dr. Blane on the~~ Sores which effuse serum, 3 in
Sores which secrete matter - from which 4
are formed Scabs. - The proximate cause of
them all is for morbid Action, in the cuta-
neous vessels or excretory glands. When they
occur on the head, the ^{places in which} bulbs of the hair
grow are affected by disease. For Cutaneous Eruptions

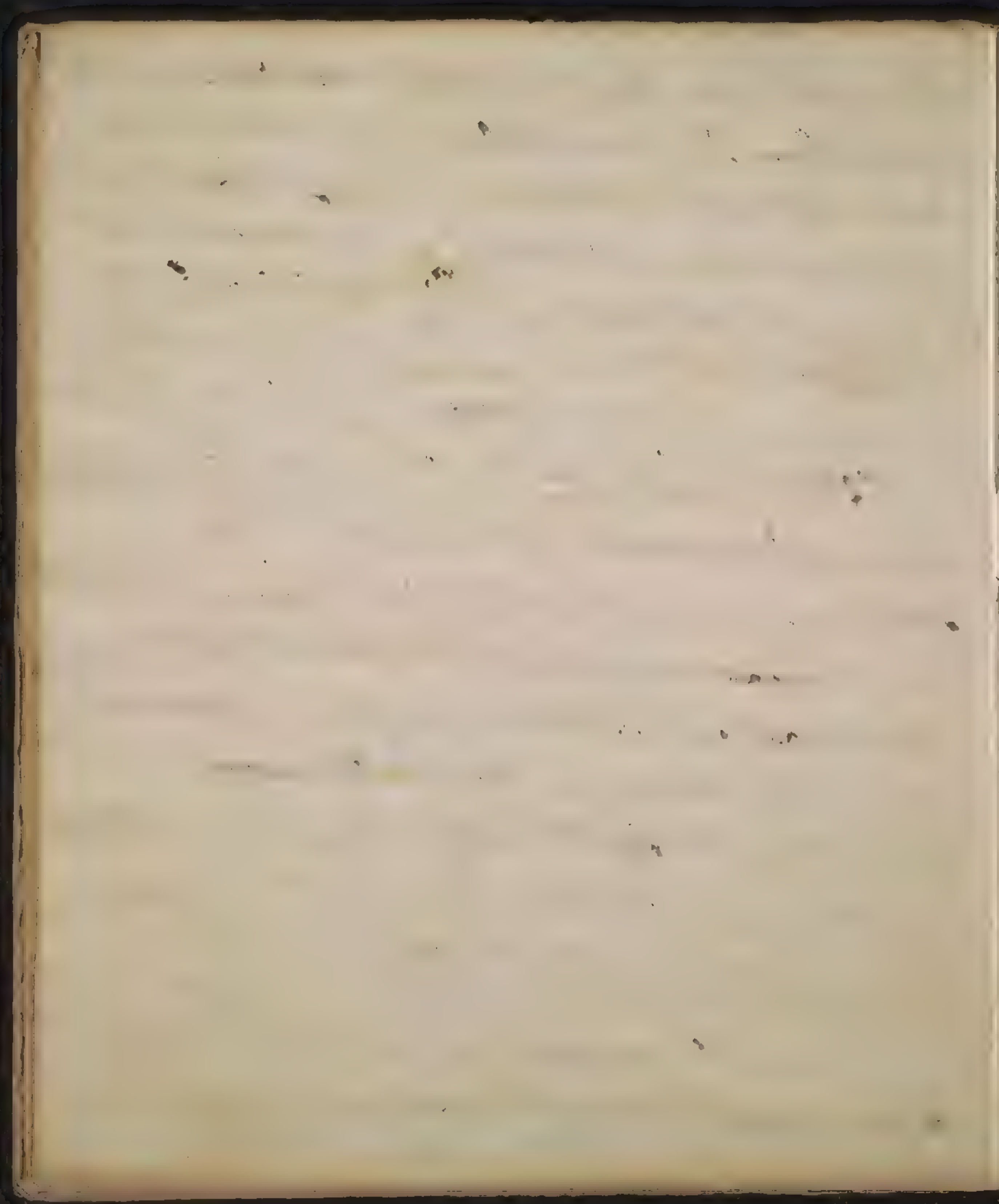
The Remedies should be carefully
accommodated to all the above causes.
- Our first inquiry should be, whether
they have succeeded, or alternated with
any general disease, ^{as the Gout,} or a part of the whole system.
- If they have the Remedies should be
directed to the cure of that disease of

+ with these remedies certain diet drinks have
been found useful. The ~~best~~^{best} plethoric habits
crude & boiled in water - a decoction of the woods,
- or have been found useful. They all act by
promoting perspiration. In debilit^d habits
a decoction of perfolium, or thoroughwort has
performed great cures. Dr. Scurr says Oil &
wine are excellent in such habits as a part
of diet. I have known Anise to of agⁿ his die.
above all - our revolutionary winds - a salutary?
✓ or if ~~it~~ it has affected old people

* ~~Fact~~ The difficulty of curing them
arises chiefly from their affecting the
skin only. By diffusing them - we
sometimes cure them. This is to be
done by Vt. - strong purgatives, or
artif^d Diarrhoea - part of Leprosy in America.
- and diuretics. Fact of sympathy
of pores & kidneys.

which it is the Sucepor or Attenuative.
and these sh^d. be depleting, or tonic according
to the state of the System. A reg: diet, & an
Animal diet has each cured it - so have
& purges, and Bath & the Cold Bath according as
the ~~system~~ disease which induced it has been
attended, with great, or weak morbid excit^{ts}.
- If the disease of which it succeeds has
been of long continuance, and has been
seated in a part very essential to life
as the ^{brain} head, or lungs - or to comfort, as
the eyes & ears, ^{the eruptions} it should be approached
with a trembling hand. Unless very in an
exposed part of the body, they should not
be touched, and if they are, air if possible
sh^d be substituted for them.

If the disease be connected with
morbid acidity in the stomach, or any
other symptom of dyspepsia, the remedies



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should first be directed to ~~remove~~ remove
them. An emetic should begin the cure,
and afterwards tonics. I have lately heard
of cutaneous eruptions of an obstinate
nature being cured by Veg: Alk. ^{alone} also by
Chalk - they both ~~emmet~~ ^{act} by destroying

a morbid acid in the stomach. This ^{is} vit.
^{has succeeded when all have failed}

When the ~~same~~ eruptions are from
a vitiated state of the fluids as in ^{the} disease of
perhaps Scurvy, the Remedies ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~disease~~ ^{disease}
for those diseases should be employed.

Even when the eruptions are from local &
external Irritants as Itch, for bits of Insects &
the state of the system should not be over-
looked. They are I believe often ^{by the common med.} hard to cure, only
from being accompanied with diseased action
in the whole system.

In eruptions from all its causes,
~~to the person~~ topical applications are proper,



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(the cases formerly mentioned excepted) but they should be different according as they are attended with more ^{or} less pain; itching - or obvious inflammation.

1 In cases of ~~the above~~ ^{such as have been mentioned} ~~cases~~ excitement above, ^{per} the remedies should be 1 Cold ~~But~~ Water. 2 ~~Lead~~ many eruptions have been cured by this remedy. It ^{acts} by promoting ^{Warm} Chambering, as well as abating morbid action. 2 ~~Hot~~ Water. ^{Dr. Dehaen says he knows nothing superior to it} 3 Lead water. 3 Sweet Oil. 4 poultices of bread & milk.

where the action is feeble, gentle Stimulants may be applied as 1 fasting Spittle. The saliva of a dog has performed great cures by licking such eruptions. It is more active than the saliva of other ^{domestic} animals, ~~from being~~ ~~impregnated with~~ ~~subtle~~ ~~propritable matter~~. ~~has~~ 3 salt & water. a simple, cheap, but excellent remedy! 4 Prepore - by giving tone to the vessels, it prevents their pouring forth their

morbid ~~secretion~~ excretions.

5 Equal parts of tar & hog lard.

6 An ointment prepared of verdigris - wax
& Sweet oil.

7 ~~Unguentum~~ Ung^m: Saturninum.

8 Com: Harewood: Remedy. Viz: Citrus

Alum & Zi Sulph Zi Hog lard qd to make
them an ointment. 9 & Zi hog lard Zi mfr

10 Ung^m Citrinum of the Shop. —

11 Comas: Sub: 9 & Ag: Zi mfr to be

applied to the parts affected. Afterwards
the powder of Calomel every night.

I have done more good with the ~~two~~

last remedies, than with all the rest.

12 Any Alkaline Bath. The matter discharged.

Where they fail, the Cuticle, and part

destroyed by a Blister & part of the true

skin by the arsenical solution. Every

For Ulcers I refer you to Prof of ~~Medicine~~
Burns &c over.

Brandy of each half a pint.

15 Hellebore (white) Lin - or Lin water 3/4 Brandy
Tinct of Hellebore all: Lin - or

• Burns

There has lately been a good deal of controversy
upon the subject of the proper applications to
recent burns. Turpentine, ^{holding applications of the part} Ardent Spirits, and
^{burned to the fire} Cotton have lately become fashionable remedies
in such cases. ~~For~~ They have done both good
& harm according to the time in which they
have been applied, and the nature of the burn.
~~In recent~~ After the very burn there is
~~some~~ debility, excitability and sometimes
disorganization. now debility & excitab?
from a burn, like debility and excitab^l from
a wound, or any other cause always excite
morbid action ^{to the part thus affected,} for ~~disturb~~ the body abhors
debility, as Nature does a Vacuum. In a
recent burn, before the system has time to
react, and to throw excitement into the

I shall make a few remarks upon ^{some} ~~four~~ ~~several~~ of the different kinds of eruptions which require a specific treatment.

1 The prickly heat. It is a salutary disease in summer & in sickly seasons, & should never be repelled. It is a remit^{ts} fever on the skin.

2 Prurigo of Authors, or an itching of the skin. It is general, or partial. The general affects the arms & body. The partial, the palms of the hands - the soles of the feet - the anus - the ^{& Vagina} pudenda in females - & sometimes the glans penis in men. It is a distressing disease occasioning wakefulness, anxiety - fever, & a tendency to madness. The remedies for it are warm water - ^{Infusion of Cortigueri} cold water - low diet,

✓ I have lately met with a case of this
disease which resisted all the above remedies.
~~It was~~ I advised a Blister near the part
affected. On the day I directed it, a small
bail arose on one of the labia pendenti
which in a few days carried off the
disease. —

==. affected part, Trupenture, ardent
Spirits, and Cotton by their stannous Obviate
the debility and expand the debility excited
induced by the disease, and thus prevent the
attraction or determination of excretion,
that is Inflamm^{to} it. The Cotton acts
in two ways first by its ^{mechanical & chemical} stannous being loose
-posed of little veg: spicula, and a bitterish qua-
-lity, and 2^{ly} by confining the heat of the
part affected. ^{of the disease} Recent wounds are often
kept from inflaming in the same ==.

purges & V.S. In the Itching of the female
pruritus V.S. ^{or leeches} sometimes given in
relief. After V.S. mercurial ointment or
Ung: Citrissur may be applied to the
part affected. The Itching in $\frac{1}{4}$ anus
is sometimes a symptom of Gout in
which case it sh^d ~~not~~ ^{be treated with caution.} be cured. Dr
Lettsom mentions a Case of Death from
an astringent remedy being applied to it.
- It sometimes occurs both in the
Anus & Vagina from worms of the Ascar.
-is species. - Injections of Tobacco are
the proper remedies in such Cases.

Herpes - or Fetter is a local
disease confined to the hands - Arms
legs & feet. All the above Remedies both
general & local are proper in it. I
have known this disease go of itself

— way, by pouring wine, spirits, and
certain Balsams upon them, in con-
—sequence of which they soon heal without
pain, or much inflamⁿ. — by even
contusions are prevented from inflamⁿ.
It suppurating by the similar means,
that is rubbing the part injured with
a dry hand, or by applying Vinegar &
Salt to it. Electricity has sometimes had
the same effect. They all act by restoring
tone to the part injured, and dissipating
its excitability. After Inflamⁿ. has taken
place from a bruise ~~and ulceration~~
all the above remedies to lessen by en-
—creasing them. Unless they are applied in such
force as to destroy the life of the part affected,
in which case, they produce Ulcers, and
sometimes mortifications. The Remedies after
Inflamⁿ. has begun — the Ice Cold Air — or Water —
and Water — poultices of bread & milk — and
mild Cerates. The best Steam: excellent.